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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Patricia Colleen Wannemacher of Bloomington, who passed away on December 24, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, Patricia Wannemacher was born in Bloomington on March 17, 1931 to William and Louise (nee Erhmantraut) O'Neil; she married Louis J. "Jerry" Wannemacher on February 5, 1951; and

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WHEREAS, Patricia Wannemacher, along with her husband, operated Wannemacher Electric, Inc., where she served as President; she was active in the McLean County Electrical Contractors Association, President of the Illinois Association of Women Contractors and Entrepreneurs, and President of the United Private Industry Council; and

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WHEREAS, Patricia Wannemacher was active in civic affairs; she was elected to the McLean County Board and was the first woman President of the McLean County Chamber of Commerce and served many years on its board; she co-chaired the McLean County 21st Century Committee, was a board member of the Illinois Wesleyan Associates, and was a life-member of the BroMenn Service League; and

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1           WHEREAS, Patricia Wannemacher was the recipient of several  
2 honors; she was in the first class of the YWCA's Women of  
3 Distinction Award, was an honorary member of Laborers  
4 International Union of North America through Bloomington Local  
5 362, and was recently selected as a "History Maker" by the  
6 McLean County Museum of History; and

7           WHEREAS, Patricia Wannemacher was preceded in death by her  
8 husband, Louis; and

9           WHEREAS, Patricia Wannemacher is survived by her children,  
10 Steve (Deb) Wannemacher, John (Sally) Wannemacher, Jo Ann  
11 (Michael) Reidy, and Karen (Brett) Arseneault; her 8  
12 grandchildren; and her 7 great-grandchildren; therefore, be it

13           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL  
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
15 Patricia Colleen Wannemacher, and extend our sincere  
16 condolences to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved  
17 her; and be it further

18           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
19 presented to the family of Patricia Wannemacher as an  
20 expression of our deepest sympathy.